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In re Application of:

Dennis MENDIOLA et al.

Serial No.: 09/928,433

Filed: August 14, 2001.

For: INSTANT MESSAGING SYSTEM
AND METHOD FOR REMOTE
NETWORKS USING A
SEQUENTIAL MESSAGE
HANDSHAKING PROTOCOL

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following new paragraph on page 1, after the title:

This application claims the benefit of priority from U.S. provisional application
60/227,911, filed August 28, 2000.

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REMARKS

By this amendment, Applicants amend the benefit of priority to add U.S.
provisional application 60/227,911, filed August 28, 2000.

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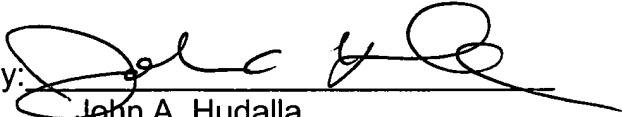
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Respectfully submitted,

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